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**PROCEEDING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
COUNTY OF JEFFERSON, STATE OF MONTANA
July 3, 2007**

Present: Commissioners Lythgoe, Notbohm and Weber; Jeremiah Theys, Great West Engineering; Tara Mastel, JLDC; Jan Anderson, *Boulder Monitor/Jefferson County Courier*; Marga Lincoln, *Helena Independent Record*; Dee Anna, James Paterson, Dave and Terri Ewan

MINUTES

Commissioner Notbohm moved to adopt the minutes of May 22. Commissioner Lythgoe seconded. The motion carried.

Commissioner Weber moved to adopt the minutes of July 26. Commissioner Lythgoe seconded. The motion carried.

REPORTS

Receipt of the Treasurer's cash report for May.

CALENDAR REVIEW

7/10 Budget meeting - district court - 8:30
Road/Solid Waste meeting - 9:00
Meeting with Great West - 10:00
Meeting with Montana City VFD - 11:00
Meeting with Elkhorn Goldfields and residents - 7:00

COMMISSION REPORTS

MENTAL HEALTH

Commissioner Weber reported that he had a meeting with Gene Lewuer and staff at RMDC regarding mental health issues and their relationship with the Center for Mental Health. They want to develop a strategy, primarily for crisis intervention, for increased services.

COMMUNITY RENEWABLE ENERGY BONDS

Commissioner Weber reported that he attended a meeting at MACo on the 28th regarding the July 3 2007 minutes.wpd

CREBs process and usability. The first round of applicants that received grants have found it to be untenable; they are not able to meet the deadlines. This Commission has voted to go forward with the application, and we have already met some of the hurdles with the work on wind energy at Golden Sunlight.

SOLID WASTE BOARD

Commissioner Weber stated that the Solid Waste Board is having difficulty getting a quorum for meetings. Because of the deadline for budget submittal, some were upset that the budget was submitted without their review. The board will have a special budget review meeting before the budget comes to the Commission.

CORRESPONDENCE

Commissioner Lythgoe stated that the Commission had received an agenda for the Elkhorn Goldfields public meeting to be held the 10th.

Commissioner Lythgoe stated that the Commission has received a letter from Kurt LaRoque regarding the weeds in Saddle Mountain park. The letter needs to get to Sam in the weed department. Commissioner Weber stated that he has talked to Sam about this; the area is larger than they originally thought.

Commissioner Lythgoe stated that the Commission has received a letter from a concerned citizen regarding not knowing about what is happening with the Sheep Mountain subdivision. This person feels that the issue should be advertised in the *Independent Record*. Commissioner Lythgoe stated that they need to discuss if they are willing to do this or not; he can't see how the County could afford to advertise in the *I.R.* He realizes that the *Ledger* is the legal paper of record, but it makes sense to also advertise in the *Monitor* and *Courier*.

ITEMS FOR COMMISSIONERS ACTION OR REVIEW

SIGN LEASE AGREEMENT WITH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

Commissioner Weber stated that this is a two-year lease with the Department of Revenue for office space in the annex. They will be paying \$537.09/month this fiscal year and \$564.21/month next fiscal year. Commissioner Lythgoe moved to enter into the agreement for rental of the space. Commissioner Notbohm seconded. The motion carried.

RESOLUTION 20-2007 CREATION OF THE SADDLE MOUNTAIN RID/RMD

Commissioner Weber gave a brief overview of the process to create a RID. Dave Ewan asked who made up the way of doing things. He stated that you have to ask for this not to happen, rather than voting yea or nay. Commissioner Weber stated that it is lined out in MCA. Dave stated that there are a lot of people who are confused with the process; they thought that if they didn't respond, nothing would change. He also asked why they will now have to pay to maintain the road. Commissioner Weber stated that the roads will be upgraded, and they will have to maintain them. The cost will cover materials. Commissioner Lythgoe stated that he has gotten probably 15 calls, all asking the status of the project and fearful that it is not going to happen.

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He is not entirely in agreement with how the process is done, but the process is spreading throughout the county and more are becoming interested. Dave stated that the process is flawed, and the Commission is in a position to make a change.

Commissioner Lythgoe stated that what is really interesting is that in the South Hills/Holmes Gulch area, the homeowners had two options to protest, the opportunity afforded by the County and also the opportunity to protest via a form sent out by a homeowner who had filled out the form with legal descriptions that only required that the homeowner sign and return the form. The County only received five or six protests; people were very in favor of the RID. For whatever reason, the legislature decided that the process would be done in this way. Jeremiah stated that usually a group of homeowners in favor of improvements approach the County for work, so there are not many to opt out. Commissioner Weber stated that he feels that all of the Commissioners would be willing to stand up at the legislature to try to make changes to the way things are done.

Commissioner Weber read the resolution as follows:

RESOLUTION 20-2007

RESOLUTION RELATING TO RURAL SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 2505; CREATING THE DISTRICT FOR THE PURPOSE OF UNDERTAKING CERTAIN LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS AND FINANCING THE COSTS THEREOF AND INCIDENTAL THERETO THROUGH THE ISSUANCE OF RURAL SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT BONDS SECURED BY THE COUNTY'S RURAL SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT REVOLVING FUND AND CREATING DISTRICT NO. 2504 FOR THE PURPOSE OF MAINTAINING THE IMPROVEMENTS

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners (the "Board") of Jefferson County, Montana (the "County"), as follows:

Section 1. Passage of Resolution of Intention. This Board, on May 15, 2007, adopted Resolution No. 12-2007 (the "Resolution of Intention"), pursuant to which this Board declared its intention to create a rural special improvement district, pursuant to which this Board declared Improvement District No. 2505 of the County (the "District"), under Montana Code Annotated, Title 7, Chapter 12, Part 21, as amended (the "Act"), for the purpose of financing the costs of certain improvements described therein (the "Improvements") and paying costs incidental thereto, including costs associated with the sale and the security of rural special improvement district bonds drawn on the District (the "Bonds"), the creation and administration of the District, and the funding of a deposit to the County's Rural Special Improvement District Revolving Fund (the "Revolving Fund"), and to create and establish in the County under the Act, a rural special improvement maintenance district (the "Maintenance District") for the purpose of maintaining the Improvements.

Section 2. Notice and Public Hearing. Notice of passage of the Resolution of Intention was duly published and mailed in all respects in accordance with law, and on July 3, 2007, this Board conducted a public hearing on the creation or extension of the District and the making of

the Improvements. At the hearing, this Board heard and passed on all protests made during the period ended 32 days after the first date of publication of the notice of passage of the Resolution of Intention (the "Protest Period"). The meeting of this Board at which this resolution was adopted is the first regular meeting of the Board following the expiration of the Protest Period.

Section 3. Protests. Within the Protest Period, 11 protests representing 11 lots, tracts, or parcels in the District were filed with the County Clerk and Recorder and not withdrawn by the owners of property in the District subject to assessment representing (i) 10.5% of the total costs of the Improvements and incidental costs to be financed with proceeds of the Bonds in accordance with the method of assessment in the Resolution of Intention; (ii) 9.9% of the total number of owners of property in the District subject to assessment; and (iii) 10.0% of the total taxable value of the properties in the District subject to the assessment in the District.

Section 4. Creation of the District; Insufficiency of Protests. The District is hereby created on the terms and conditions set forth in, and otherwise in accordance with, the Resolution of Intention. The protests against the creation or extension of the District or the making of the Improvements filed during the Protest Period are hereby found to be insufficient. The findings and determinations made in the Resolution of Intension are hereby ratified and confirmed, including, without limitation, the findings and determinations relating to the Revolving Fund and the creation and establishment of a Maintenance District.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of County Commissioners of Jefferson County, Montana, this 3rd day of July, 2007.

ATTEST:

BONNIE RAMEY
CLERK AND RECORDER

KEN WEBER, CHAIR

TOMAS E. LYTHGOE, COMMISSIONER

CHUCK NOTBOHM, COMMISSIONER

Commissioner Lythgoe moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Notbohm seconded. The motion carried.

RESOLUTION 18-2007 JOINT RESOLUTION REGARDING THE BOULDER HOUSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Commissioner Weber gave a brief background of the Housing Committee. Dee Anna, co-chair, stated that she would like to thank the Commission for their support of the Committee and what they are trying to accomplish. Tara Mastel, JLDC, stated that she hopes that with the signing of this resolution, the Housing Committee is recognized as the go-to group for housing concerns.

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Commissioner Weber read the resolution as follows:

A JOINT RESOLUTION OF
JEFFERSON COUNTY, MONTANA
COUNTY RESOLUTION 18-2007
AND
THE CITY OF BOULDER, MONTANA
CITY RESOLUTION NO. _____

A Joint Resolution of the Board of County Commissioners of Jefferson County, Montana and the City Council of the City of Boulder, Jefferson County, Montana, to support the development of safe, attractive, energy efficient and appropriate housing for the residents of Boulder and the Boulder area.

WHEREAS, a group of committed and organized citizens of Boulder in conjunction with the Montana State University Extension Service and the Jefferson Local Development Corporation have stepped forth as the Boulder Housing Advisory Board to volunteer to work toward increasing the quality and quantity of housing in Boulder; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Jefferson County, Montana and the City Council of the City of Boulder, Jefferson County, Montana, recognize the great need in the City of Boulder and the Boulder area for increased housing programs that enhance local economic development and provide greatly needed housing options for current and future residents of the City and Boulder area; and

WHEREAS, the Boulder Housing Advisory Board, has developed an organizational structure with Co-Chairs Judi Saarinen, Dee Anna and Jim Heikes, Secretary Ernie Kenison, Treasurer Connie Grenz, voting members of the Board and non-voting representatives from the County Commission, the City of Boulder and Montana State University Extension Service; and

WHEREAS, the Boulder Housing Task Force has developed relationships with successful high performance housing programs, including housing programs for low and moderate income households enabling it to represent citizens and take action on increasing the housing quality and quantity in the City of Boulder and the Boulder area.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Jefferson County (County) and the City Council of the City of Boulder (City) that,

The City and County shall recognize the Boulder Housing Advisory Board as a mechanism for identifying the housing need in Boulder and the Boulder area. The Boulder Housing Advisory Board will be allowed to help set priorities for publicly funded housing development in the City of Boulder and the Boulder area.

The City and County shall pledge to invite a representative of the Boulder Housing Advisory Board to any discussions related to housing in the City of Boulder and the County.

The City and County shall pledge to consider the recommendations of the Boulder Housing Advisory Board with regard to housing development within the City of Boulder or the Boulder Area.

The City and County shall consider providing available resources such as land for construction, matching funding as possible or other forms of participation to match funding from federal, state and local sources brought forward by the Boulder Housing Advisory Board as possible.

Approved and passed by action of the Boulder Housing Advisory Board on May 23, 2007.

Approved and passed by action of the City Council of the City of Boulder on June 25, 2007.

Approved and passed by action of the Board of County Commissioners of Jefferson County on July 3, 2007.

ATTEST:

BONNIE RAMEY
CLERK AND RECORDER

KEN WEBER, CHAIR

TOMAS E. LYTHGOE, COMMISSIONER

CHUCK NOTBOHM, COMMISSIONER

Commissioner Lythgoe moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Notbohm seconded. The motion carried.

RESOLUTION 17-2007 RESOLUTION OF INTENT TO CREATE A RID ON BIG DIPPER DRIVE

Commissioner Weber read the resolution as follows:

RESOLUTION 17-2007

RESOLUTION RELATING TO RURAL SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 2506;
DECLARING IT TO BE THE INTENTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS TO CREATE RURAL SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 2506
FOR THE PURPOSE OF UNDERTAKING CERTAIN LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS AND
FINANCING THE COSTS THEREOF AND INCIDENTAL THERETO THROUGH THE
ISSUANCE OF RURAL SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT BONDS SECURED BY THE
COUNTY'S REVOLVING FUND AND TO CREATE MAINTENANCE DISTRICT NO. 2507
FOR THE PURPOSE OF MAINTAINING THE IMPROVEMENTS

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners (the "Board") of Jefferson County (the "County"), Montana, as follows:

Section 1. Proposed Improvements; Intention To Create Districts. The County proposes to undertake certain local improvements (the "Improvements") to benefit certain property located in the County. The Improvements consists of design, engineering, and construction of upgrades and improvements to Big Dipper Drive as more particularly described in Section 5. The total estimated costs of the Improvements and costs incidental thereto are to be paid from the rural special improvement district bonds hereinafter described in an estimated total principal amount of \$80,000. It is the intention of this Board to create and establish in the County under Montana Code Annotated, Title 7, Chapter 12, Part 21, as amended (the "Act"), a rural special improvement district (the "District") for the purpose of financing the costs of the Improvements benefitting the District and paying costs incidental thereto, including costs associated with the sale and the security of rural special improvement district bonds drawn on the District (the "Bonds"), the creation and administration of the District, and the funding of a deposit to the County's Rural Special Improvement District Revolving Fund (the "Revolving Fund"). The total estimated costs of the Improvements, including such incidental costs, to be financed by the Bonds are \$80,000. The Bonds are to be payable primarily from special assessments to be levied against property in the District, which property will be specially benefitted by the Improvements in an amount not less than \$80,000. It is also the intention of this Board to create and establish in the County under the Act, a rural special improvement maintenance district (the "Maintenance District") for the purpose of maintaining the Improvements.

Section 2. Number of District. The District, if the same shall be created and established, shall be known and designated as Rural Special Improvement District No. 2506 of Jefferson County, Montana. If the District shall be created and established, simultaneously therewith the Maintenance District shall be created and established and shall be known as Rural Special

Improvement Maintenance District No. 2507 of Jefferson County, Montana.

Section 3. Boundaries of District. The limits and boundaries of the District are depicted on a map attached as Exhibit A hereto (which is hereby incorporated herein and made a part hereof) and more particularly described by the legal description of the lots within the District as described on Exhibit B hereto (which is hereby incorporated herein and made a part hereof), which boundaries are designated and confirmed as the boundaries of the District. A listing of each of the properties in the District and a description thereof is shown on Exhibit B hereto.

Section 4. Benefitted Property. The District and territory included within the limits and boundaries described in Section 3 and as shown on Exhibits A and B are hereby declared to be the rural special improvement district and the territory which will benefit and be benefitted by the Improvements located therein and will be assessed for the costs of the Improvements as described in Section 1. The property included within said limits and boundaries is hereby declared to be the property benefitted by the Improvements financed with the proceeds of the Bonds. The Board declares that all of the property in the District subject to assessment is benefitted by the Improvements, not just the property fronting upon the Improvements, and the contemplated Improvements, in the opinion of the Board, are of more than local or ordinary public benefit.

Section 5. General Character of the Improvements. The general character of the Improvements includes design, engineering, construction, reconstruction, including shaping and base course reconstruction, of Big Dipper Drive, drainage improvements, and applying a hard surfacing to consist of a double shot chip seal.

Section 6. Engineer and Estimated Cost. Great West Engineering, Inc., of Helena, Montana, shall be the Engineer for the District. The Engineer has estimated that the cost of the Improvements, including all incidental costs, is \$80,000, as shown in Exhibit C.

Section 7. Assessment Methods.

7.1. Property To Be Assessed. All properties within the District are to be assessed for a portion of the costs of the Improvements for which the District is responsible, as specified herein. The costs of the Improvements benefitting the District shall be assessed against the property in the District benefitted by such the Improvements, based on the equal method of assessment described in Section 7-12-2151, M.C.A., as particularly applied and set forth in this Section 7.

7.2. Equal Assessments. Each lot, tract, or parcel in the District will be assessed equally for its proportionate share of the costs of the Improvements benefitting the District. The total estimated cost of the Improvements benefitting the District and costs incidental thereto are \$80,000 and shall be assessed against each lot, tract or parcel of land in the District equally, such that each lot, tract or parcel in the District shall be assessed for the same amount of the cost of the Improvements benefitting the District. The costs of the Improvements benefitting the District per lot, tract or parcel to be assessed shall not exceed \$2,425. The total principal amount of the assessment for each lot, tract or parcel of land for the Improvements benefitting the District is

shown on Exhibit B hereto.

7.3. Assessment Methodology Equitable and Consistent with Benefit. This Board hereby determines that the method of assessment and the assessment of costs of the specific Improvements against the properties benefitted thereby as prescribed in this Section 7 are equitable and in proportion to and not exceeding the special benefits derived from the Improvements by the lots, tracts and parcels to be assessed therefor within the District.

Section 8. Payment of Assessments for Repayment of Bonds. The special assessments for the costs of the Improvements benefitting the District and costs incidental thereto shall be payable over a term expected to be approximately 15 years, but in any event not exceeding 20 years, each in equal semiannual installments of principal, plus interest as allowed by law, or equal semiannual payments of principal and interest as allowed by law, as this board shall prescribe in the resolution authorizing the issuance of the Bonds. Property owners have the right to prepay assessments as provided by law. The estimated total principal amount of special assessments for undertaking the Improvements against properties in the District is shown on the attached Exhibit B. In the event the District is created and the Bonds are issued, the special assessments levied against property in the District will be stated as semiannual installments of principal and interest. Assessments for maintenance of the Improvements are described below in Section 10.

Section 9. Method of Financing; Pledge of Revolving Fund; Findings and Determinations. The County will issue the Bonds in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$80,000 in order to finance the costs of the Improvements and costs incidental thereto. Principal of and interest on the Bonds will be paid from special assessments levied against the property in the District. This Board further finds it is in the public interest, and in the best interest of the County and the District, to secure payment of principal of and interest on the Bonds by the Revolving Fund and hereby authorizes the County to enter into the undertakings and agreements authorized in Section 7-12-2185, M.C.A., in respect of the Bonds.

In determining to authorize such undertakings and agreements, this Board has taken into consideration the following factors:

(a) Estimated Market Value of Parcels. The estimated market value of the lots, parcels or tracts in the District as of January 1, 2007, as estimated by the Montana Department of Revenue (the "DOR") (the appraiser for property tax purposes), is set forth in Exhibit B hereto. The special assessments to be levied against each lot, parcel or tract in the District, as calculated under Section 7, are less than the increase in estimated market value of the lot, parcel or tract as a result of the construction of the Improvements.

(b) Diversity of Property Ownership. There are 33 assessable lots, tracts and parcels in the District, of which approximately 30 are owned by individuals. There is one owner who owns two lots and the balance of the lots area owned by unrelated individuals or entities. There are 4 undeveloped lots in the District. The property ownership of the properties within the District's boundaries from the County's property ownership records in April 2007 is shown on Exhibit B.

(c) Comparison of Special Assessments and Property Taxes and Market Value.

Information showing proposed special assessments and market value information for tax assessment purposes is set forth on Exhibit B. There are no special assessments currently levied against properties in the District. The value of all the lots, tracts or parcels in the District as shown on the assessment rolls of the Montana Department of Revenue as of the date of adoption of this resolution is approximately \$3,057,180. The assessed value of the lots ranges from approximately \$22,492 to \$152,781.

(d) Delinquencies. None of the 33 lots has tax delinquencies as of April 2007.

(e) The Public Benefit of the Improvements. The Improvements will result in better driving conditions for the District residents as well as the citizens in general and will enhance safety in the area.

Section 10. Maintenance District. If the District is created, it is the intent of this Board to create simultaneously the Maintenance District for the purpose of assessing the costs of maintaining, preserving or repairing the Improvements in accordance with the provisions of Sections 7-12-2161 through 7-12-2163, M.C.A. Maintenance may include but is not limited to chip sealing, snow removal and sanding, minor drainage improvements, and minor repairs needed to preserve the road improvements. The boundaries of the Maintenance District shall be coterminous with the District. The total estimated annual non-labor costs of the maintenance of the Improvements is initially estimated to total \$2,508 for the first year. Maintenance of the Improvements will be assessed on an equal lot basis. The County proposes to provide labor for the maintenance of the Improvements. Based on 33 lots, the estimated cost and the corresponding annual assessment is \$76 per lot, tract or parcel for the first year of maintenance. Each year the County will determine the annual costs for the maintenance of the Improvements any may adjust the annual maintenance assessment in accordance with Section 7-12-2126, M.C.A., after a public hearing.

Section 11. Reimbursement Expenditures.

11.1. Regulations. The United States Department of Treasury has promulgated final regulations governing the use of proceeds of tax-exempt bonds, all or a portion of which are to be used to reimburse the County for project expenditures paid by the County prior to the date of issuance of such bonds. Those regulations (Treasury Regulations, Section 1.150-2) (the "Regulations") require that the County adopt a statement of official intent to reimburse an original expenditure not later than 60 days after payment of the original expenditure. The Regulations also generally require that the bonds be issued and the reimbursement allocation made from the proceeds of the bonds within 18 months (or three years, if the reimbursement bond issue qualifies for the "small issuer" exception from the arbitrage rebate requirement) after the later of (i) the date the expenditure is paid or (ii) the date the project is placed in service or abandoned, but (unless the issue qualifies for the "small issuer" exception from the arbitrage rebate requirement) in no event more than three years after the date the expenditures is paid. The Regulations generally permit reimbursement of capital expenditures and costs of issuance of the bonds.

11.2. Prior Expenditures. Other than (i) expenditures to be paid or reimbursed from sources other than the Bonds, (ii) expenditures constituting preliminary expenditures within the meaning of Section 1.150-2(f)(2) of the Regulations, or (iii) expenditures in a “de minimus” amount (as defined in Section 1.150-2(f)(1) of the Regulations), no expenditures for the Improvements have been paid by the County before the date 60 days before the date of adoption of this resolution.

11.3. Declaration of Intent. The County reasonably expects to reimburse the expenditures made for costs of the Improvements out of the proceeds of Bonds in an estimated maximum aggregate principal amount of \$80,000 after the date of payment of all or a portion of the costs of the Improvements. All reimbursed expenditures shall be capital expenditures, a cost of issuance of the Bonds or other expenditures eligible for reimbursement under Section 1.150-2(d)(3) of the Regulations.

11.4. Budgetary Matters. As of the date hereof, there are no County funds reserved, allocated on a long-term basis or otherwise set aside (re reasonable expected to be reserved, allocated on a long-term basis or otherwise set aside) to provide permanent financing for the expenditures related to the Improvements, other than pursuant to the issuance of the Bonds. The statement of intent contained in this resolution, therefore, is determined to be consistent with the County’s budgetary and financial circumstances as they exist or are reasonably foreseeable on the date hereof.

11.5. Reimbursement Allocations. The County’s Treasurer shall be responsible for making the “reimbursement allocations” described in the Regulations, being generally the transfer of the appropriate amount of proceeds of the Bonds to reimburse the source of temporary financing used by the County to make prior payment of the costs of the Improvements. Each allocation shall be evidenced by an entry on the official books and records of the County maintained for the Bonds or the Improvements and shall specifically identify the actual original expenditures being reimbursed.

Section 12. Public Hearing; Protests. At any time within thirty (30) days from and after the date of the first publication of the notice of the passage and approval of this resolution, any owner of real property within the District subject to assessment and taxation for the cost and expense of making the Improvements may make and file with the County Clerk and Recorder until 5:00 p.m., M.T., on the expiration date of said 30-day period (August 10, 2007), written protest against the proposed Improvements, or against the extension or creation of the District or both. Such protest must be in writing, and identify the property in the District owned by the protestor. The protest must be delivered to the County Clerk and Recorder, who shall endorse thereon the date of its receipt by him or her. This Board will at its next regular meeting after the expiration of the thirty (30) days in which such protests in writing can be made and filed, proceed to hear all such protests so made and filed; which said regular meeting will be held on Tuesday the 14th of August, 2007 at 1:30 p.m., in the Jefferson County Courthouse at 201 Centennial, Boulder, Montana 59632.

Section 13. Notice of Passage of Resolution of Intention. The County Clerk and Recorder is hereby authorized and directed to publish or cause to be published a copy of a notice
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of the passage of this resolution in the *Whitehall Ledger*, the *Jefferson County Courier*, and the *Independent Record*, newspapers of general circulation in the County on July 11, 2007 and July 18, 2007, in the form and manner prescribed by law, and to mail or cause to be mailed a copy of said notice to every person, firm, corporation, or the agent of such person, firm, or corporation having real property within the District listed in his or her name upon the last completed assessment roll for state, county, and school district taxes, at his or her last-known address, on or before the same day such notice is first published.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of County Commissioners of Jefferson County, Montana, this 3rd day of July, 2007.

ATTEST:

BONNIE RAMEY
CLERK AND RECORDER

KEN WEBER, CHAIR

TOMAS E. LYTHGOE, COMMISSIONER

CHUCK NOTBOHM, COMMISSIONER

Commissioner Lythgoe moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Notbohm seconded. The motion carried.

**DISCUSS RESOLUTION 19-2007 RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING JLDC AS THE
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ENTITY FOR JEFFERSON COUNTY**

Commissioner Weber stated that they sat an Ad Hoc committee to research various items related to JLDC. The committee consisted of Commissioner Notbohm, Bonnie Ramey, Matt Johnson, Tara Mastel, Mike Molitor, Barb Sunderlan, Nancy Wheeler, and Steve Seiglan. They looked at what had been done historically. Tara stated that they started with one document but split it into the resolution to recognize the JLDC as economic development entity in the County and a MOU between the County, JLDC and MSU.

**DISCUSS A PROPOSED AGREEMENT BETWEEN MSU EXTENSION SERVICE, JLDC
AND THE COUNTY TO WORK ON ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

Commissioner Weber stated that this MOU delineates the role of each party. Commissioner Notbohm stated that this is a little late, but he is glad that it is done. Tara stated that it will be nice to have this document, and to be able to answer questions as they arise.

SIGN LEGAL ADVERTISING CONTRACT

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A contract with the *Whitehall Ledger* for legal advertising was presented for signature. Commissioner Lythgoe moved to sign the legal advertising contract. Commissioner Notbohm seconded. The motion carried.

OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Tara stated that a crew will be removing debris from the demolition at the Castoria. They originally thought to have AYA youth assist with this. However, there were concerns with safety issues related to the debris, so NAHN jumped right on the project and the debris will be out today.

Tara stated that she met with staff from Elkhorn Goldfields that morning. They want to form a MTAG/CTAC-type group. She is impressed with how proactive they are being.

Commissioner Lythgoe moved to adjourn. Commissioner Notbohm seconded. The motion carried.

MEETING ADJOURNED

ATTEST:

**BONNIE RAMEY
CLERK AND RECORDER**

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